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Access Northern California  
Attn: Bonnie Lewkowicz  
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Subject: Letter of Support - Accessible Trail Website

Dear Bonnie:

Accessible San Diego is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit information center for travelers with disabilities. We have been researching and providing accessible information to travelers with disabilities via fully staffed Information Center, Access in San Diego Guide, and website since 1988.

We strongly support the prospect of the Coastal Conservancy funding a new website, which will address wheelchair accessible coastal trails. This is a much needed resource, and I know our community will benefit greatly.

This project satisfies a very important need for the estimated 5 million persons with disabilities who live and travel in California. We are impressed with the two fabulous wheelchair rider's guides to Los Angeles and the Bay Area, and hope that some day, there would be one for the San Diego area. A trail website is an even better idea because it has the potential to reach more people, and can serve as a model for other agencies and organizations to furnish good trail information to people with disabilities.

Accessible San Diego has been researching accessible trails in both California and Canada. We express that there is a large and growing need for accessible trails in California's coastal areas. More important is the need for a website that identifies the accessible features for existing trails for all persons including those with disabilities. We will be happy to link with this important resource as our [www.asd.travel](http://www.asd.travel) website will service over 150,000 viewers with disabilities in 2007.

We are eager to work with you to help make this project a success.

Sincerely,

Wes Johnson, President

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Dear Bonnie,

As an agency that promotes and facilitates recreation for people with disabilities, we wholeheartedly support the creation of a website for accessible coastal trails. Currently there is no such resource for people with disabilities, while there is wide and varied trail resources for the general public. Establishing quick and reliable trail accessibility information will go a long way towards increasing hiking opportunities for people with disabilities.

Shared Adventures is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life of people living with disabilities by offering opportunities for social and recreational interaction for disabled people, particularly in the great outdoors.

We have been fortunate to partner with Access Northern California in the past, and have witnessed firsthand the many benefits you have provided to the local community. I hope you will gain this valuable opportunity to expand your scope and services by documenting trail accessibility.

We look forward to working with you to help make hiking, and experiencing the beauty of nature, more accessible to everyone.

Sincerely,

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